

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2279 without my signature.

This bill attempts to shield qualified medical marijuana patients employed in non safety-sensitive positions from employment discrimination. However, I am concerned with interference in employment decisions as they relate to marijuana use. Employment protection was not a goal of the initiative as passed by voters in 1996.

For these reasons, I am returning this bill without my signature.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger